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# **Treasurer and Governor to Strike Arizona Quarter at the United States Mint**

(U.S. MINT, DENVER) – State Treasurer Dean Martin, along with Governor Janet Napolitano and members of the Arizona Quarter Commission, will strike Arizona's commemorative quarter in a ceremony at the United States Mint in Denver on Friday, May 16.

Arizona's new state quarter features a picturesque image of the Grand Canyon and a desert landscape.

*“Arizona has a proud history as a land of natural beauty and rugged individualism,”* Treasurer Dean Martin said. *“As the Grand Canyon State, it is fitting to celebrate the beauty of Arizona's landscape on the state quarter. It is an honor to represent Arizona taxpayers at this historic event.”*

The U.S. Mint in Denver, one of two federal facilities producing the quarter, is hosting the striking ceremony to launch the issuance of Arizona's first state quarter.

The U.S. Mint's 50 State Quarters Program commemorates all 50 states with unique quarter designs that represent state landmarks, landscapes, symbols or historic icons. The program began in 1999 and concludes at the end of this year. Since its inception, the program has highlighted a new state quarter issued every 10 weeks, released in the order states were admitted into the Union.

State Treasurer Dean Martin serves as the Chief Financial Officer for Arizona, third in succession to the Governor, overseeing \$12.3 billion in assets under management. Treasurer Martin has opened government finances to the public on his website [AzTreasury.gov](http://AzTreasury.gov). Last fiscal year, Treasurer Martin made taxpayers over \$730 million and increased investment earnings by 24% over the previous administration.

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